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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action of August 17, 2006, in which a three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on November 17, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and objections, and an indication of the allowability of each of the claims pending in the present application, in view of the herein-contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this paper.

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